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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows.

Please rewrite paragraph 0011 as follows:

It is a further object of the present invention to provide the method as described above, wherein the *Methylophilus* bacterium is modified so that an enzymatic activity of ~~diaminopimelate synthetase~~dihydrodipicolinate synthase and an L-lysine secretion system are enhanced.

Please amend paragraph 0014 as follows:

It is a further object of the present invention to provide the *Methylophilus* bacterium as described above, which is modified so that an enzymatic activity of ~~diaminopimelate synthetase~~dihydrodipicolinate synthase and an L-lysine secretion system are enhanced.